

196726US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: :

Olivier DE LACHARRIERE ET AL : EXAMINER: WILLIS, M.

SERIAL NO. : 09/686,997 :

FILED: OCTOBER 12, 2000 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1619

FOR: USE OF DHEA OR PRECURSORS :
OR METABOLIC DERIVATIVES
THEREOF AS A DEPIGMENTING
AGENT

AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated July 30, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

4. (Amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein said metabolic derivative thereof is selected from the group consisting of 5-androstene-3 β ,17 β -diol, 5-androstene-3 β ,17 β diol sulfate and 4-androstene-3,17-dione.

Docket No. 196726US0

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Olivier DE LACHARRIERE, et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/686,997

FILED: OCTOBER 12, 2000

FOR: USE OF DHEA OR PRECURSORS OR METABOLIC DERIVATIVES THEREOF AS A DEPIGMENTING AGENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment with marked up copy in the above-identified application.

- ☐ No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- ☐ Additional documents filed herewith:

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS	CLAIMS REMAINING		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID	NO. EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	CALCULATIONS
TOTAL	35	MINUS	35	0	× \$18 =	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT	4	MINUS	4	0	× \$84 =	\$0.00
		<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS			+ \$280 =	\$0.00
		TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS				\$0.00
		<input type="checkbox"/> Reduction by 50% for filing by Small Entity				\$0.00
		<input type="checkbox"/> Recordation of Assignment			+ \$40 =	\$0.00
		TOTAL				\$0.00

- ☐ A check in the amount of _____ is attached.
- ☒ Please charge any additional Fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.



22850

Tel. (703) 413-3000
Fax. (703) 413-2220
(OSMMN 10/00)

Stephen G. Baxter, Ph.D.
Registration No. 32,884

Thomas A. Blinka, Ph.D.
Registration No. 44,541

OSMM&N File No. 196726US0

Serial No. 09/686,997

In the matter of the Application of: Olivier DE LACHARRIERE, et al.

For: USE OF DHEA OR PRECURSORS OR METABOLIC DERIVATIVES
THEREOF AS A DEPIGMENTING AGENT

Dept.: CHEMICAL

By: NFO/TAB:saf

The following has been received in the U.S. Patent Office on the date stamped hereon:

- ☐ pp. Specification & Claims/Drawings Sheets
- ☐ Combined Declaration, Petition & Power of Attorney pages
- ☐ List of Inventor Names and Addresses
- ☐ Utility Patent Application ☐ CPA
- ☐ Notice of Priority ☐ Priority Doc
- ☐ Check for ☒ Dep. Acct. Order Form
- ☐ Fee Transmittal Form
- ☐ Assignment/PTO 1595 pages:
- ☐ Letter to Official Draftsman
- ☐ Letter Requesting Approval of Drawing Changes
- ☐ Drawings sheets ☐ Formal
- ☒ PTO Cover Letter
- ☒ Amendment with marked up copy
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☐ Cited References
- ☐ Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. §1.132
- ☐ International Search Report
- ☐ IDS/Related/List of Related Cases
- ☐ Restriction Response
- ☐ Rule 132 Declaration
- ☐ Request for Extension of Time (?-months)
- ☐ Notice of Appeal
- ☐ Brief
- ☐ Issue Fee Transmittal
- ☐ White Advance Serial Number Card
- ☐
- ☐



Due Date: October 30, 2001